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Dear ,

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Many states are stepping up to address this problem. They should be allowed to proceed. However, the FCC shouldn't shirk its responsibility, nor limit states in doing more.

The FCC should immediately grant the NASUCA petition to investigate billing practices, and prohibit phone and wireless companies from imposing separate monthly fees, line items or surcharges unless expressly mandated by law or the charge is expressly authorized by a governmental authority.

Sincerely,

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ccooper18@yahoo.com wrote on 3/3/2005 10:01:44 PM :

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charlesmahon1@netzero.net wrote on 3/3/2005 7:38:33 AM :

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